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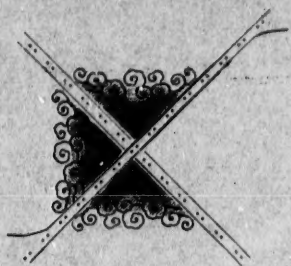
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—Washington Star.

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Wool—How do you like your new flat?

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Jean Boucher, Lieutenant of French Troops.....	John A. Parks
Pepat, Keeper of the Elephant.....	Frank Casey
Pepanti, Professor of Etiquette.....	Camille Mauvel
High Priest.....	Charles A. Morse
Chow Sury, Innkeeper at Pechaburi.....	Edward Elkas
Panompin, a Cambodian Envoy.....	William Van Duzer
Mataya, Crown Prince of Siam.....	Miss Virginia Earl
La Veuve Frimousse, Widow of the late French Consul at Pechabu.....	Marion Singer
Marie, her Step-daughter, adored by Mataya.....	M. Florence Drake
Gillette, her eldest daughter, beloved by Jean.....	Josephine Stanton
D. M. S. 242.....	Rose A. Krohe
Kurachi, a Waitress.....	Nana Fairhurst
Nanette.....	Norme Kopp
Coralie.....	Helen Elkas
Delphine.....	Beatrice Gambles
Fleurette.....	Jennie Bartlett
Julie.....	Grace Long
Babette.....	Lucille Stewart
Rosalie.....	Alamande Moeller
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SYNOPSIS OF WANG.

ACT I.—Public Landing of River Menam, at Pechaburi.

(Ernest M. Grosse.)

ACT II.—Throne Room of the Royal Palace at Bangkok.

(Ernest M. Grosse.)

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Of each act he withdrew—

In brief, went out the act between

To see a man he knew.

No tears adown her fair cheeks ran;

She donned her sweetest smile,

And flirted with another man

Who sat across the aisle.

—New York Press

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Daughter—"Why, maw!"

Mother—"Oh, you needn't 'why, maw' me. One side of his nose is powdered, and one side of your's isn't, and the people have noticed it.

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Willie—I heard pa say that the kittie had \$20 in her last night. I was only trying to shake some of it out.

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Buckwheat cakes that taste good for breakfast and make a man feel like committing murder the rest of the day have made their appearance.—*Atchison Globe*.

"My dear," said the elegant Mr. Smooth-emption to his wife, "why this unprecedented delay in the preparation of the matutinal refreshment?"

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Maud—Is that her own complexion? Mabel—It ought to be. She paid for it.

NO TROUBLE ABOUT FIELDS.

"I think," said the professor to the father of the late graduate, "that your son will now need a wider field."

"All right," said the old man, "come along, John; I've got ten acres!"

A MYSTERY CLEARED UP.

"How is it that your boss' sweet wines cost so much more than the sour ones?" asked a gentleman of the liquor dealer's boy.

"Do you suppose the boss gets his sugar for nothing?" was the incautious reply.

HIS WAY OF PUTTING IT.

Van Ishe—So she refused you?

Ten Brok (sadly)—Yes; in fact, she told me to go to—(whispers).

Van Ishe—Dear me! Why, I—

Ten Brok—That is, she told me to ask her father, and, as he's dead, I suppose that's what she meant.

One of the curious things about the gulf stream is that no whales are found in it.

White huckleberries are reported to be found in abundance at Gardner's Lake, Conn.

Winkers—Why do bicyclists ride with their noses so close to the ground? Jinkers—Looking for tacks.

A nugget of gold weighing 100 ounces was recently found at Coolgardie, Australia.

Young Poet—I cannot make up my mind whether I had better read "Hamlet" once more or write something myself.

Rubies of the true pigeon-blood color are so rare that they are worth ten times their weight in diamonds.

We never knew a man who could not bear another's misfortunes perfectly like a Christian.

Our passions are like convulsion fits, which make us stronger for a time, but leave us weaker forever after.

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THE LADY AND THE TROLLEY.

It was a Cambridge car, and it had stopped just in front of Beck Hall. Mrs. Casey, who sat near the front door, tackled her bundle of washing and started to leave by the front platform. The bundle was rather large and decidedly awkward to handle, and when she reached the street it slipped from her grasp and fell upon one of the tracks.

She started quickly to recover it, but a sudden apprehension seized her and she stopped. Looking at the motorman, she said, doubtfully: "If Oi put me fut on the track will Oi hov a shock?"

"No, madam," replied the motorman, gravely, "not unless you put your other foot on the trolley wire."

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END OF THE WAR.

The war was over. The victorious Japanese troops marched proudly through the streets of Pekin. Li Hung Chang, "the Bismarck of the East," sat alone in his palace, wrapped in thought.

Just simply wrapped in thought. That was all.

A BURGLARY.

Tom—Pills, the druggist, tells me that burglars entered his store the other night and stole \$15 worth of perfume. Too bad, wasn't it? Jerry—I should say so. Have they put the detectives on the scent?

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His Greenjacketness—Then fire a cannon at the dogs.

Lieutenant—But, Your Greenjacketness, they are still so far off that the ball will only go half way.

His Greenjacketness—Then fire two cannons at the dogs.

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